



Doctor of Education Counselor Education and Supervision

PROGRAM INFORMATION

PURPOSE

The field of counselor education and supervision is dedicated to both the academic preparation and comprehensive supervision of counselors across multiple settings. The Doctor of Education (Ed.D) in Counselor Education & Supervision aligns with the master's-level Counselor Education programs in order to encourage entry-level counseling students to work toward becoming doctoral-level advanced practitioners, educators, and supervisors. The Ed.D in Counselor Education & Supervision program prepares counselors for a variety of settings by providing the advanced skills and knowledge necessary for leadership and advocacy, as well as supervision, training, and teaching positions in the counseling profession.

The Ed.D in Counselor Education & Supervision program is designed to help current practitioners with existing master's-level preparation to advance their careers. This doctorate provides expanded opportunities to compete in the market place, on par with the growing number of doctoral-level counseling practitioners.

LICENSURE/CERTIFICATION ELIGIBILITY

This degree does not prepare graduates for licensure. In the counseling field, licensure is generally earned at the master's level. In Illinois, the license to practice independently as a counselor is the Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor (LCPC) [please note that counselor licensure requirements vary widely from state to state]. Practitioners in closely related fields (social work, clinical psychology, marriage and family therapy) also qualify for independent licensure as practitioners. The doctoral curriculum expands upon the general preparation of masters-level practitioners. It is required that students choosing the Ed.D in Counselor Education and Supervision have a masters' degree in the Counseling field from a CACREP-accredited program.

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As part of Argosy University's College of Psychology and Behavioral Sciences, the Ed.D in Counselor Education and Supervision is designed to meet the needs of the working professional. Students typically take 3 years to complete a minimum of 48 credit hours of course work and an additional four semesters for completion of a 12 credit-hour dissertation for a total of 4 ½ years for completion of the 60 credit-hour Ed.D degree. Courses are conveniently scheduled on weekends and evenings. All weekend courses are web-augmented: there is a weekly online instructional component over the term of the course for ongoing instructional contact with your faculty and fellow students. Research courses meet weekly on-campus in the evening, or fully-online.

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The comprehensive examination at Argosy University, Chicago Campus is a take-home examination that consists of printed, APA-formatted, original responses to questions submitted by the faculty. The comprehensive examination is designed to allow the student to demonstrate competence in the end-of-program outcomes in advanced practice, counselor supervision, counselor education, social and cultural issues, qualitative and quantitative research, assessment, ethics, and multicultural competence. Any student who fails the Comprehensive Exam a second time (one opportunity for revision is permitted) is automatically dismissed from the program.

PRACTICUM/INTERNSHIP

The Ed.D. in Counselor Education and Supervision requires that students complete a doctoral-level, 100 hour practicum and 600 hour internship. This experience will include elements of clinical teaching, supervision, clinical work and research and can be done at one's place of employment. Please contact the admissions office or Program Chair for specific details or if you have further questions.

DISSERTATION

Following successful completion of all courses, and passage of the Comprehensive Examination, students begin the dissertation process. This requires a minimum of 12 credit hours (four semesters). Dissertation at Argosy University, Chicago is fully described in the Guide to the Dissertation Process available online.

ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

To be admitted to the Ed.D. in Counselor Education & Supervision program, a prospective student needs the following:

- A master's degree in a CACREP-equivalent program field from a regionally accredited educational institution, a nationally accredited institution approved and documented by the faculty and dean of the College of Psychology and Behavioral Sciences, or an appropriately certified foreign institution.



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- A grade point average of at least 3.25 (on a scale of 4.0) for undergraduate work and any subsequent graduate study.
- A minimum written TOEFL® score of 550 (paper version), 213 (computer version), or 79 (Internet version) for all applicants whose native language is not English, or who have not graduated from an institution at which English is the language of instruction.
- Completion of an interview with a member of the program Admissions Committee.

All applications for admission must be submitted to the Admissions Department. An admissions representative is available to help interested applicants complete the following required documentation:

- Completed Application for Admission Form
- Application fee (non-refundable, except in California)
- Personal/professional goal statement with a self-appraisal of qualifications for the profession
- Current résumé (or career summary)
- Three completed Applicant Recommendation Forms
- Official transcripts from all post-secondary schools attended.

Entering students must have a master's degree in counseling from a CACREP accredited program or a CACREP equivalent curriculum from a regionally accredited institution, a nationally accredited institution approved by Argosy University, or an appropriately certified foreign institution. CACREP, or The Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational programs, is an independent agency recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation for the accreditation of master's degree programs in counseling.

Applicants who have completed a master's degree that does not meet the specific curricular or credit hour requirements listed by the campus may be admitted to the program, but will be required to meet prerequisite requirements at the master's level. Decisions about the applicability of prior master's-level coursework will be made by campus faculty based upon CACREP core curriculum requirements and state licensure laws for counselors. Applicants will be notified during the admissions process if prerequisite courses are needed.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

Doctoral Counseling students complete a 60-credit hour minimum course of study that includes 12 credit hours of dissertation. Upon completion of course work, students are eligible to take the Comprehensive Examination and upon successful completion of the Comprehensive Examination, begin the dissertation process. The program can be entered six times a year (Fall Session 1 or 2, Spring 1 or 2 and Summer 1 or 2).